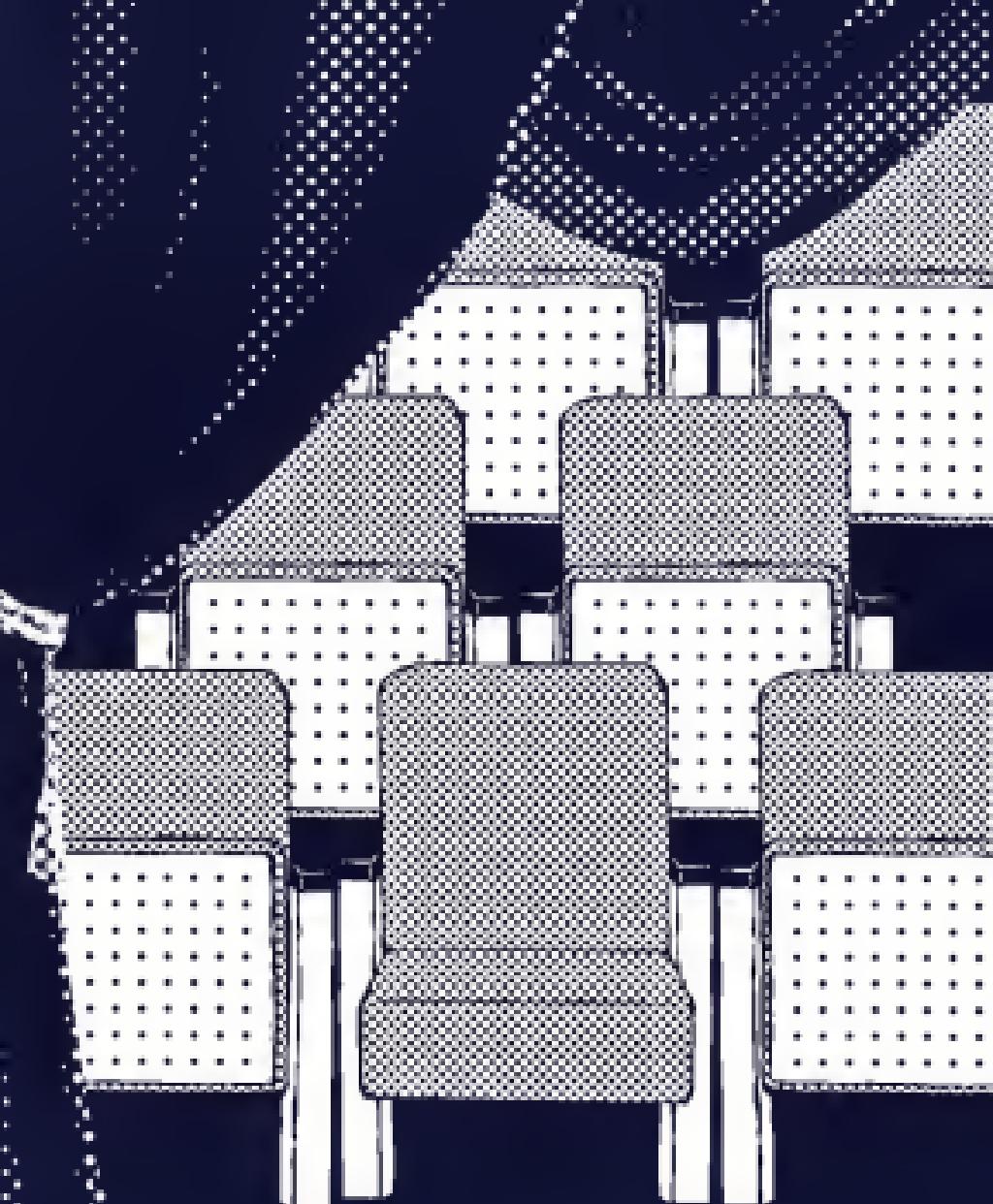




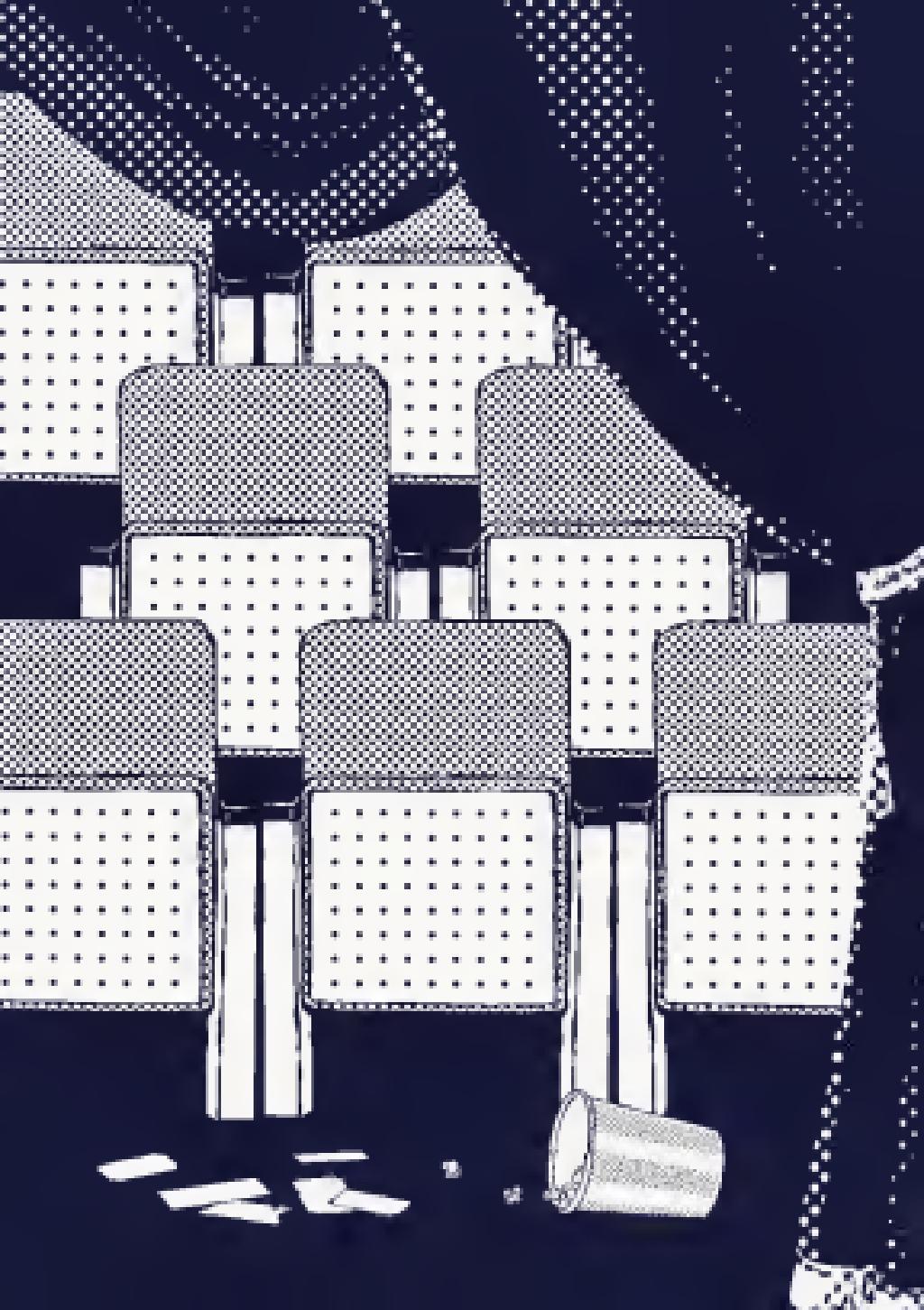
Ester Design terracotta



When I was a kid I loved to parody
fairy tales, but no one would come to
watch, so I acted them out alone.



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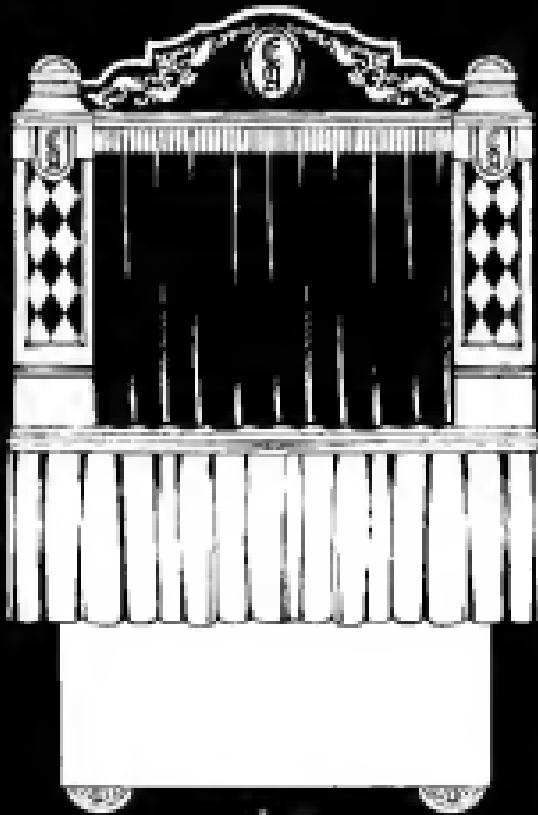
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However, these stories will be a little different from what you're used to. All of the protagonists will be men!

Come one,
come all!
Thank you for
joining us.
Ladies! What
you're about to
hear are some
very famous
stories



Why men? Watch
and learn...





Cinderella

シンデレラ



In whatever era or whatever country it might be,

there were two young people in very different circumstances

Elard, they need coffee in the conference room.



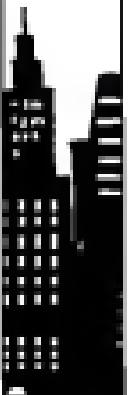
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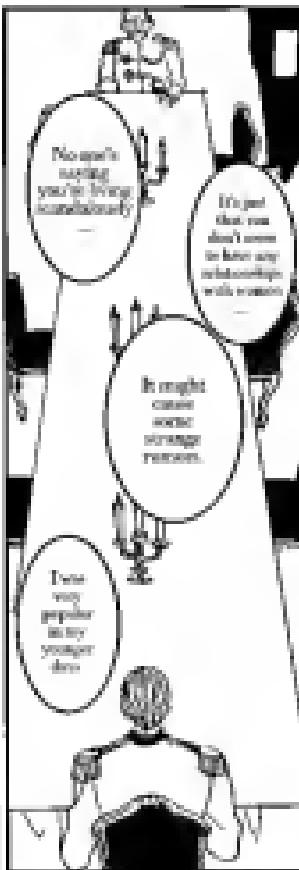
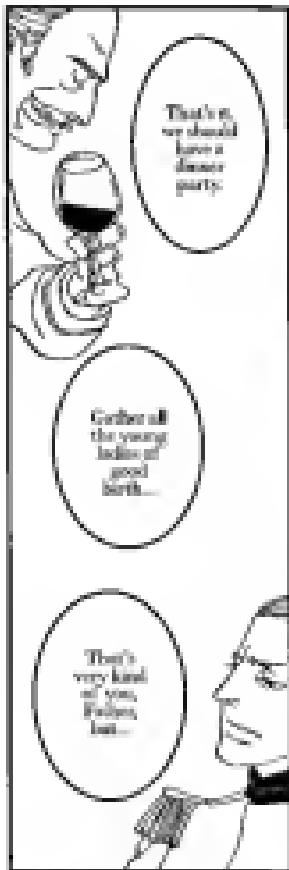
was working at a certain company under his father's management, but the company suffered a takeover, and he was treated like an outsider.

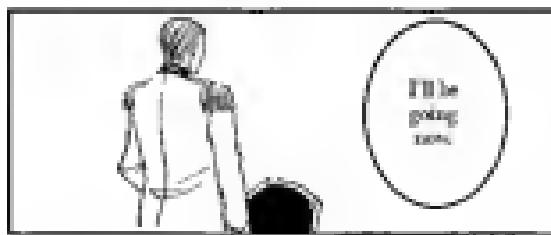
I need 100 copies of this immediately, Elard.

Elard, compile all of these papers by tomorrow.

One of them was a very hard-working and busy businessman named Elard. This young man...







Castle



Costumes

*I feel less of
place in a
place that we
all I feel —*







If you can stand it a little longer, I'll give you a prize.



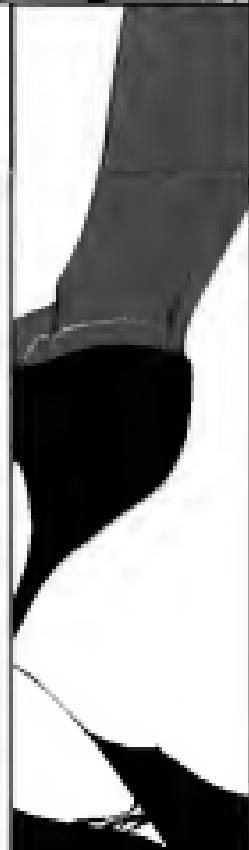
Habla
Spanish
with
confidence



Getting
stumped on
writing
you?



How
successfully
prevented



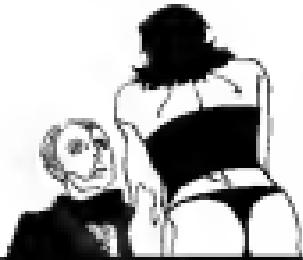
How
mean.

Clean it up.
These were
custom-made.

You've
dirtied my
brand-new
shoe.

Is it
already
morning?

Should
I have
already
had sex
that much?



You can
call me
"Queen."

I have
something to
do. I have to
go.

Wait. Can I
at least have
your
name...?

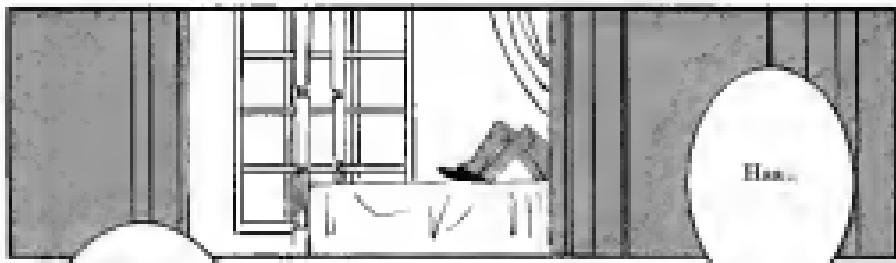
—Albert?

If you're
Prince
Albert,
then I'm
"Queen."

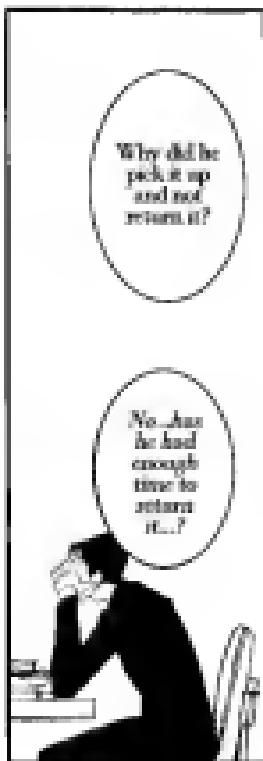


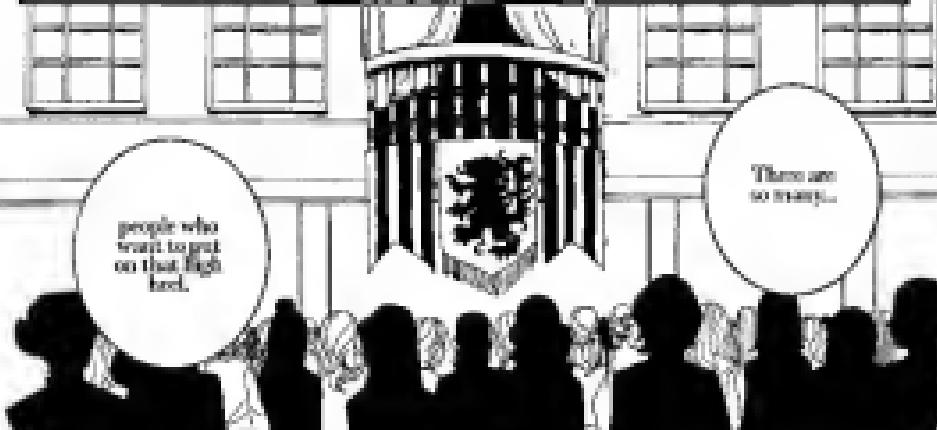
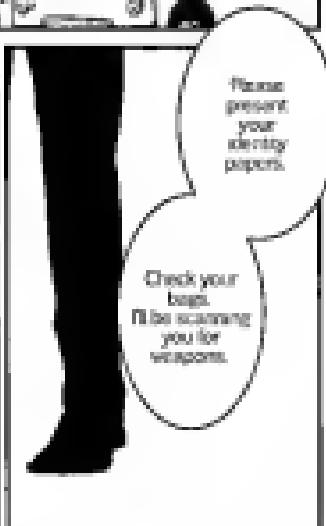
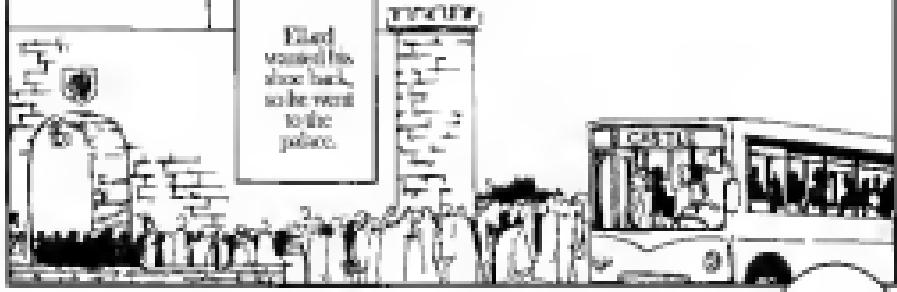
I was in such a
hurry to carry
out my orders,
I lost my shoes.

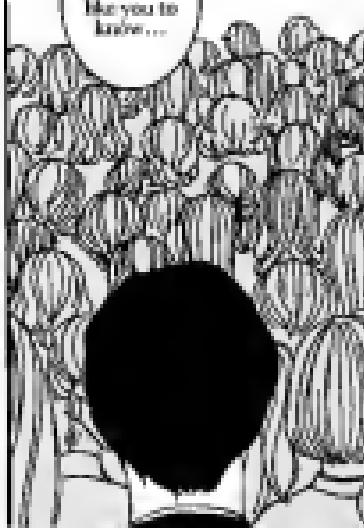
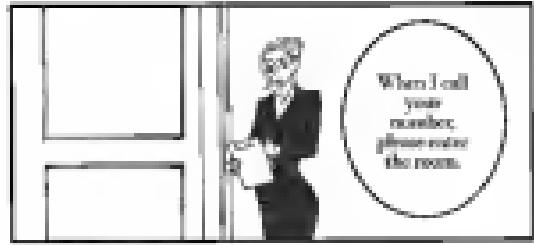
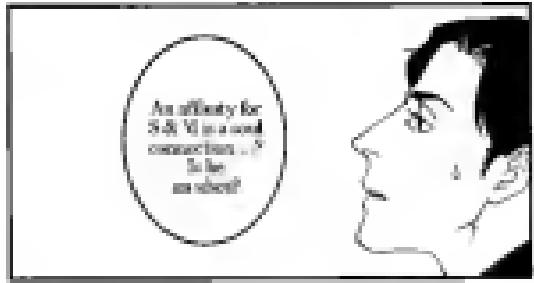
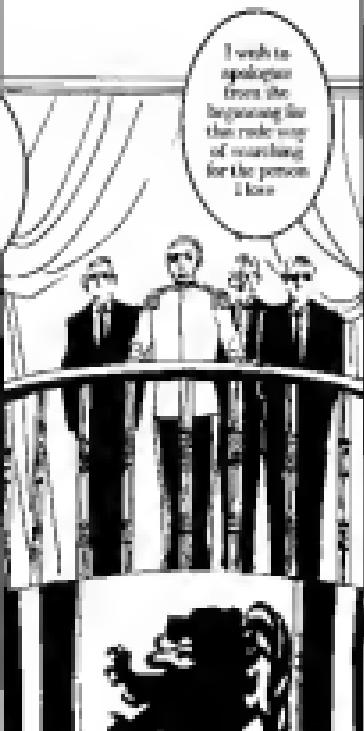


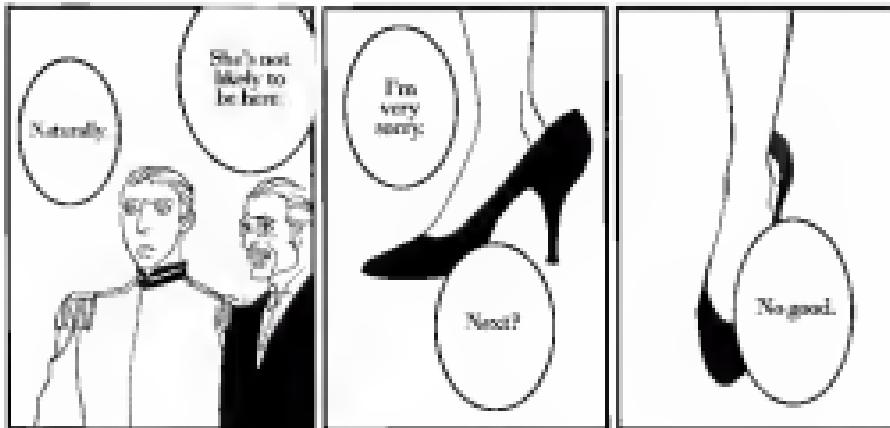


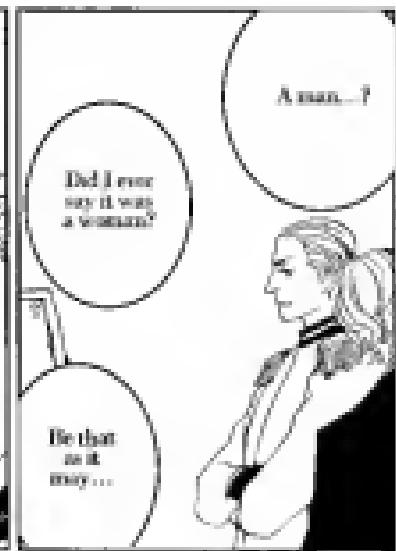
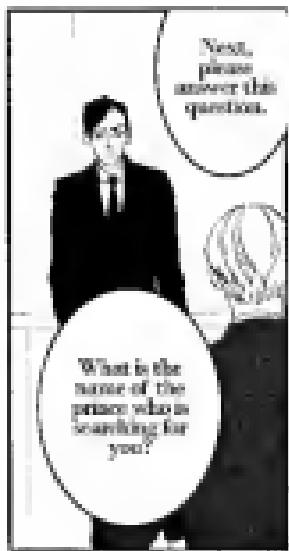




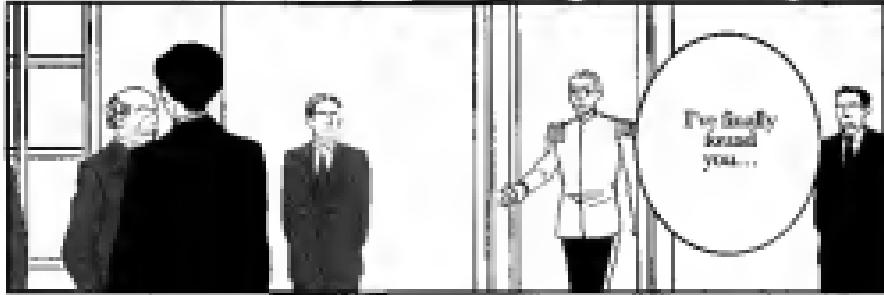




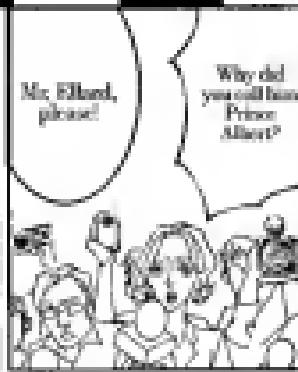




Pardon...



A strange couple was born into this world.



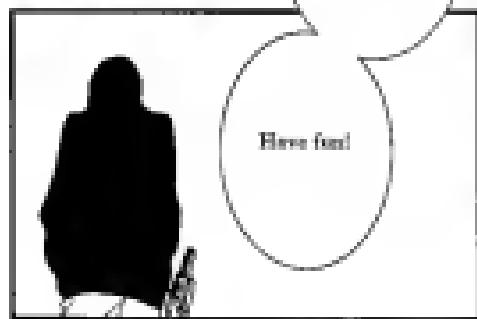
There are some things you're better off not knowing.



Little Red Riding Hood

赤ずきん







Shit. She
won't hand
over a red coat
to her actual
daughter.

The old bag
should hurry up
and drop dead
and say good-bye
to that nice life
she's living



Even though
we're the
only relatives
she has left



There are those
among her
relatives who
are hoping to
get it and have
attempted to
kill her.

According to
rumor,
Grandma's
inheritance will
be enormous.



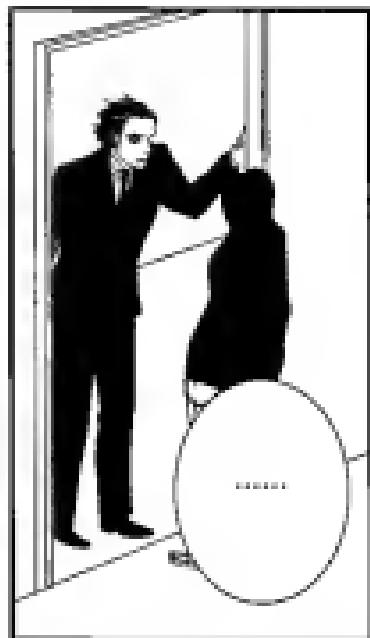
Everyone
dislikes her
because of her
singleness, so
no one has
come to visit
her since she's
been ill.

And for that
reason, she's
extremely
distrustful

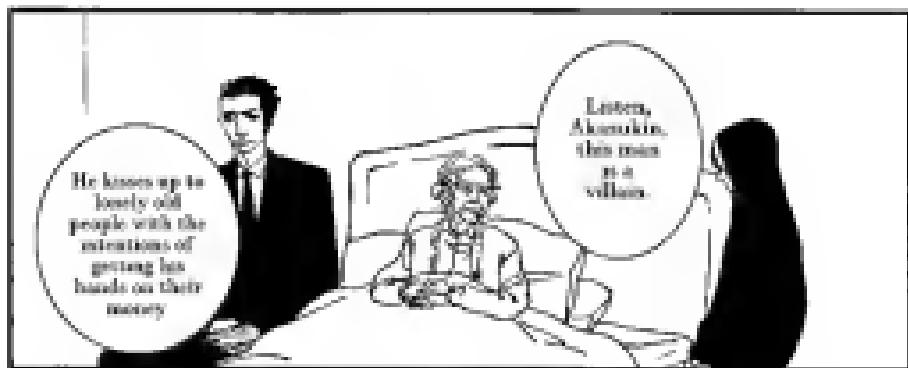
Of the ones
she loved, only
I am here by
her side as she
dies.

I used to love
the fact that
there was no
whiff of life in
this room.

Currently, she
lives all by
herself on the
top floor of a
high-rise
apartment
building.









A thrill went through me at the thought of what kind of desires hid behind that gentle face.



This man...



This is the first time in my life I've seen a person whose desire doesn't show on his face.



I'm leaving everything to him.

So, I'm sorry for you all, Akazukin, but...



to bring me
grape wine, I
won't drink
it.

You're a
good child,
but when
that damned
woman tells
you...



It's my eventual
death after
drinking it
continually that
that woman is
waiting for.

At any rate,
there isn't
enough
poison in it
to kill me
straight off.



May it
make your
wishes
come true.

Here—
my will.



I won't
give that
woman
one red
cent.

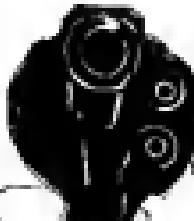


far having
compassion for
a pitiful old
woman.

It would
be wrong
if I didn't
thank
you...

you bunch of
bastards.

Go to hell.





I was going to
kill her and
make the
blame fall on
you, but...



Hm...

Ha
ha
ha
ha
ha



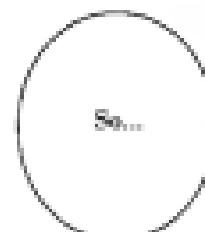
You
saved me
the
trouble.

In an hour a
lawyer is
coming, and
he'll be the
first to
discover the
tragedy

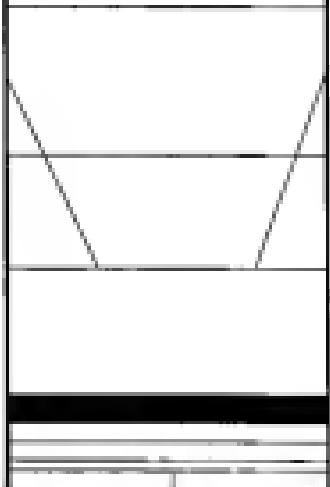


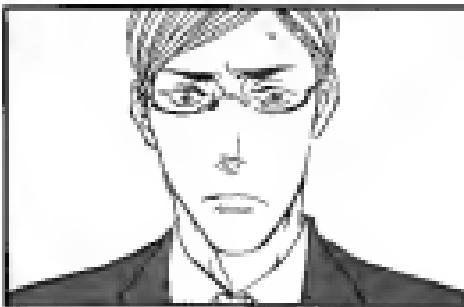
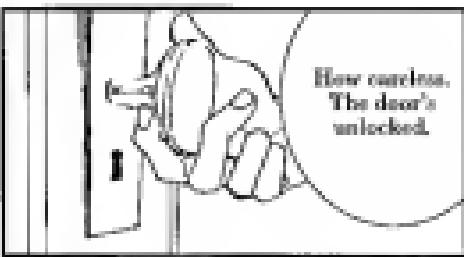
You're
magnificent,
Alexander.















The Little Mermaid

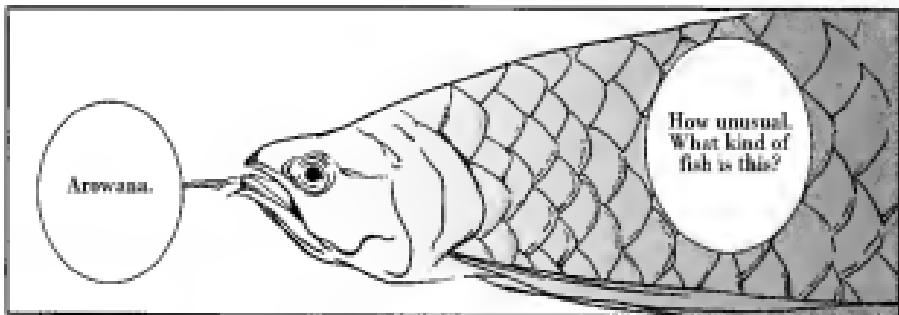
◎人魚姫◎









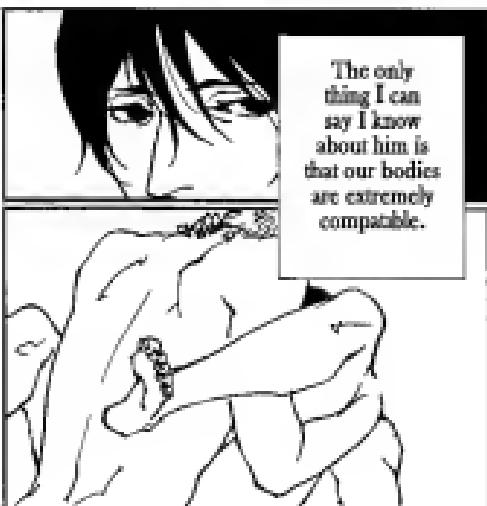




When I left him alone, he secretly ate fish out of the aquarium.



He drinks salt water and takes cold baths.







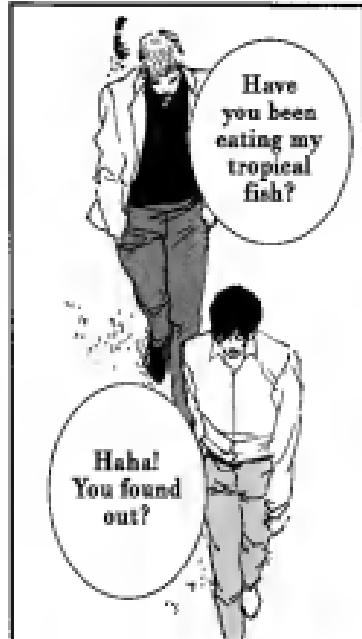
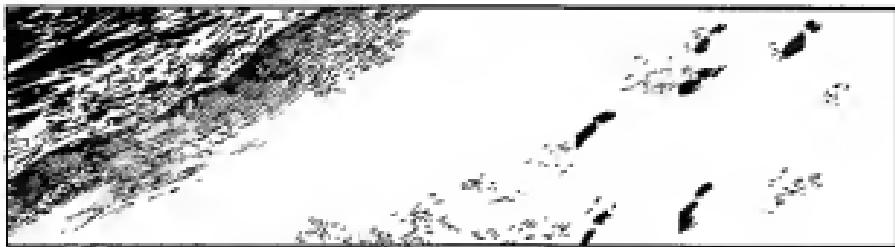


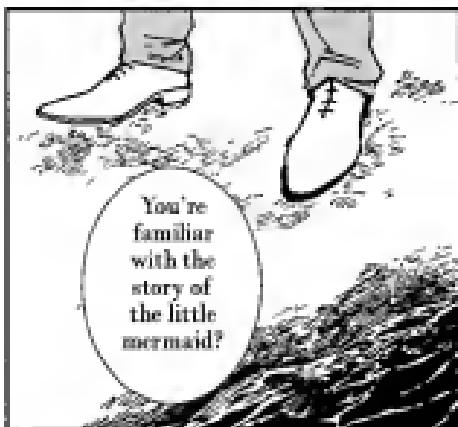
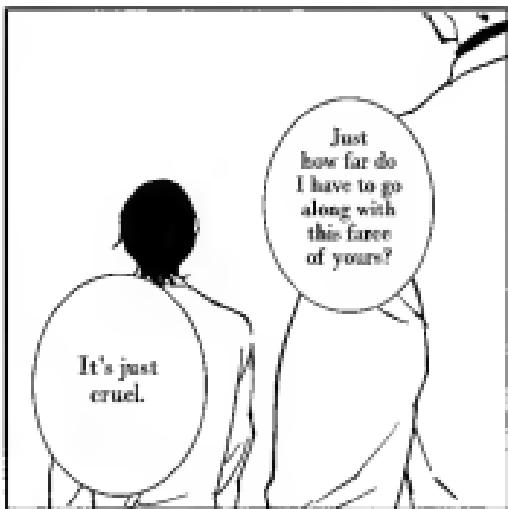
It will
be by far the
largest in the
country. Would
it make you
happy if these
fish could
live there?

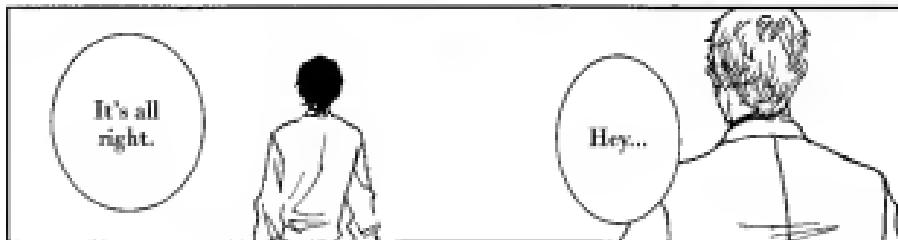
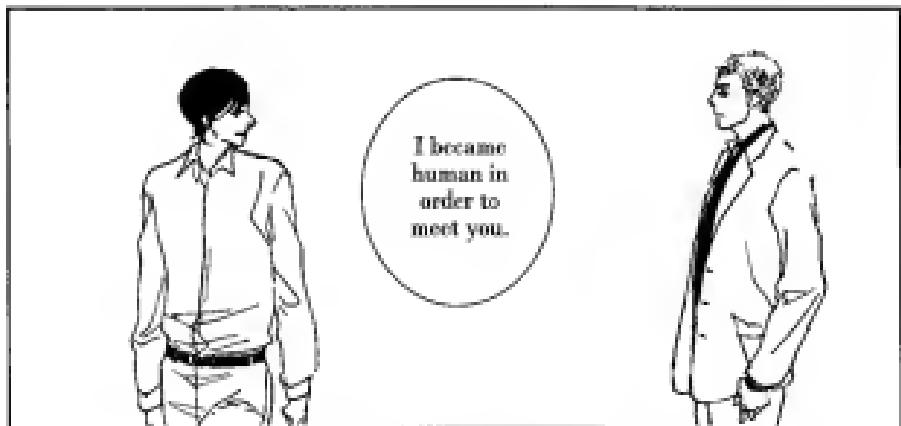
My company
is working
on a plan
for a seaside
resort.

Among
other sea-
themed
amusements,
we're planning
an aquarium.

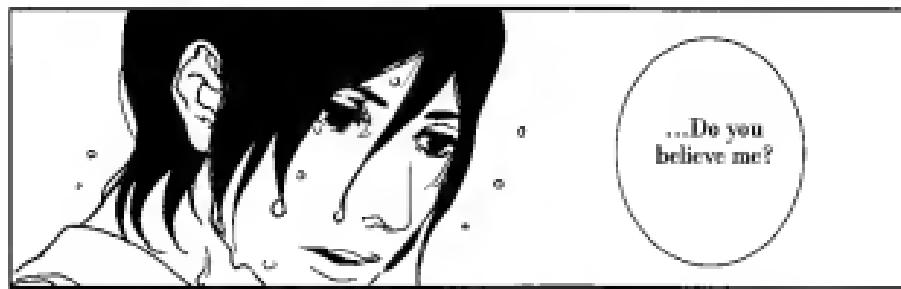
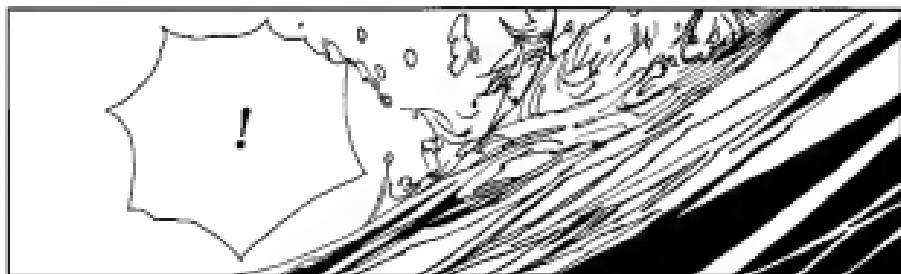


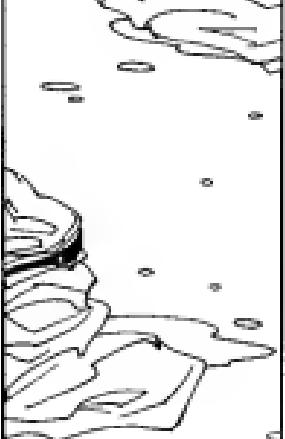
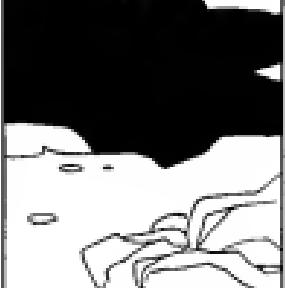
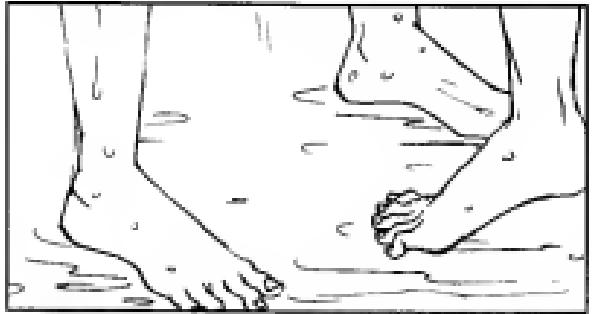
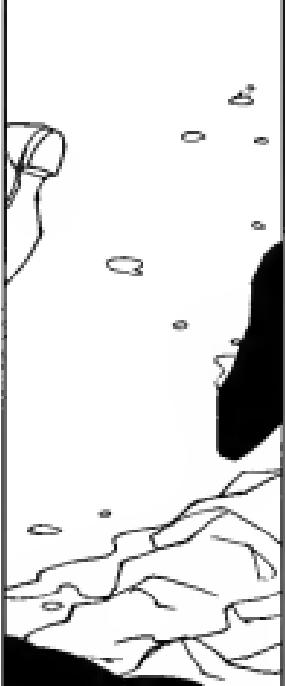
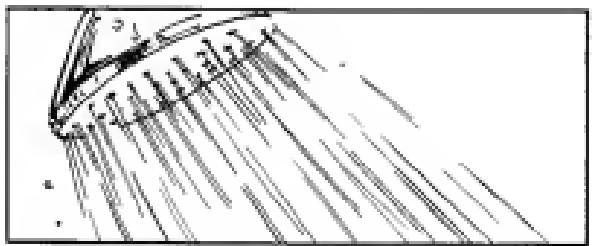
















Do you
remember
the end of
the little
mermaid's
story?

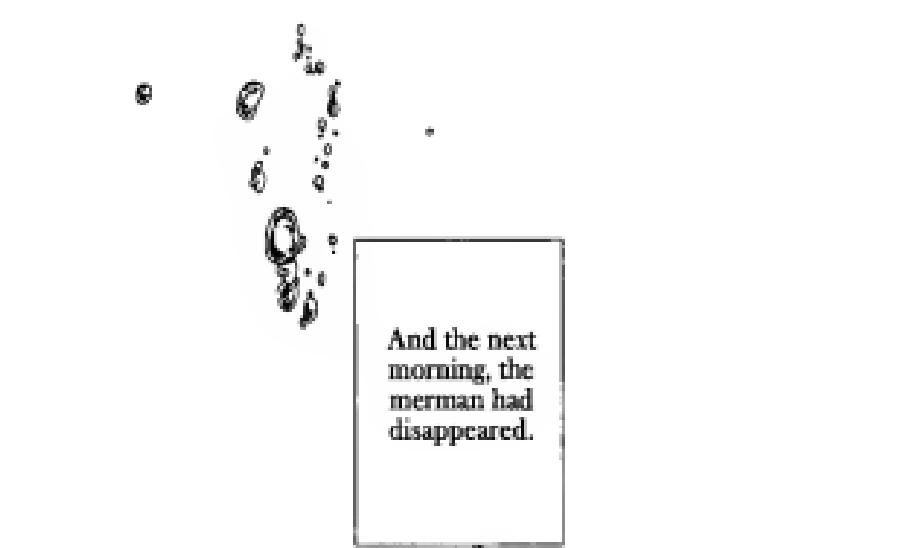


She turned
into sea
foam and
disappeared.

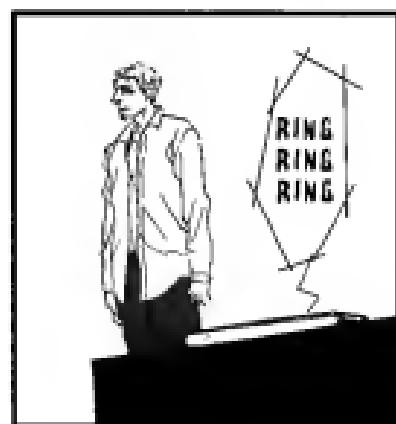
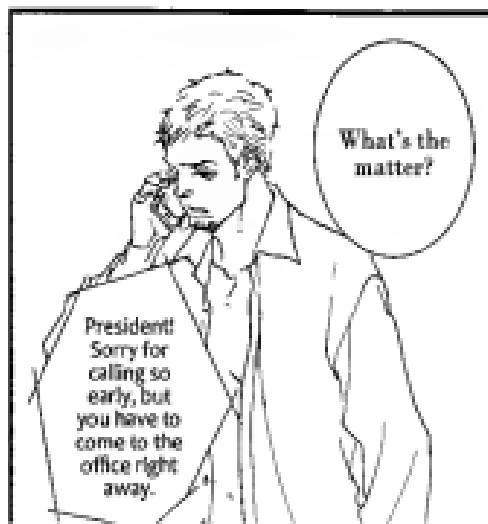
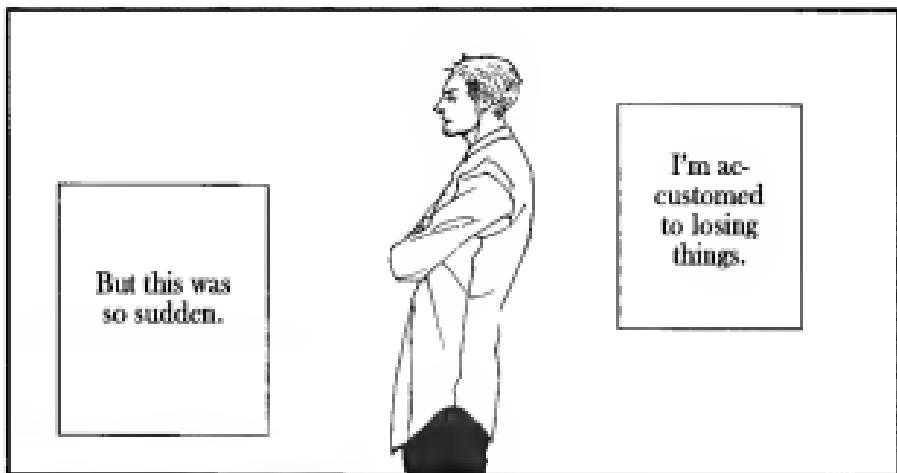




Is that
right?



And the next
morning, the
merman had
disappeared.





You surprised me.
You're like
a different
person...

It's you?!

1990
1991
1992



What kind
of person
are you?

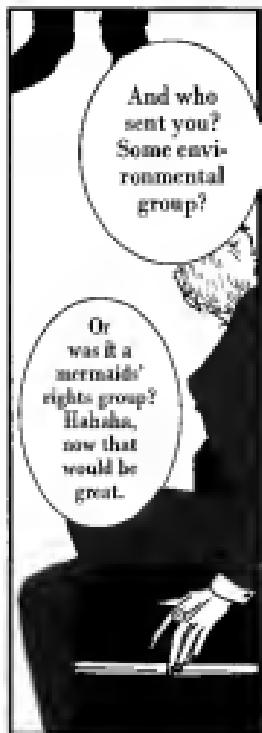
You...

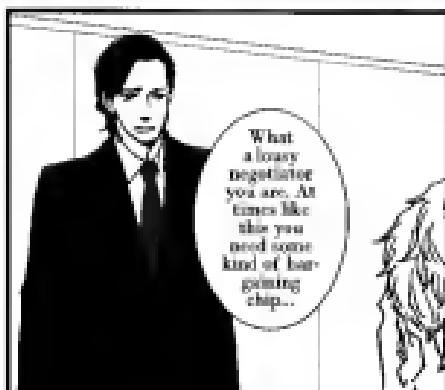


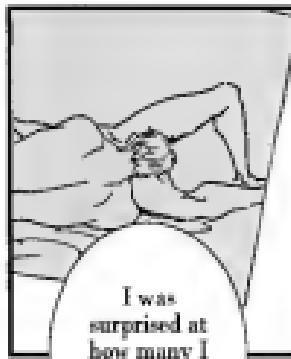
I'm a merman.

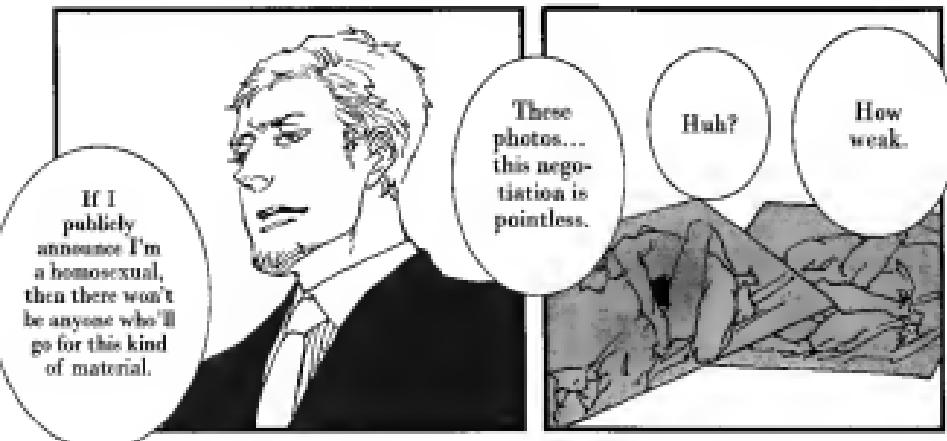
How many
times do I
have to say
it?















This is a tactic that will take me far.

I'll stir up his obsession with my true identity.



I'll command his complete attention.



We'll discover each other's true intentions.



—but I won't become involved with him.

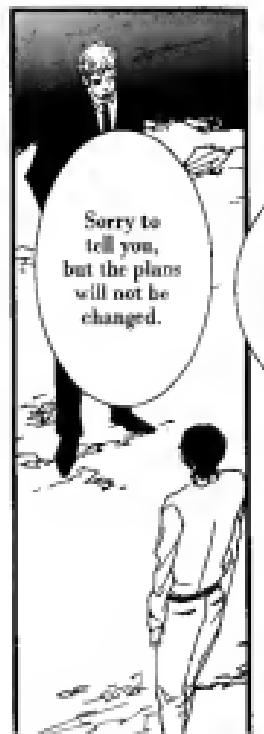


I have one request to make.

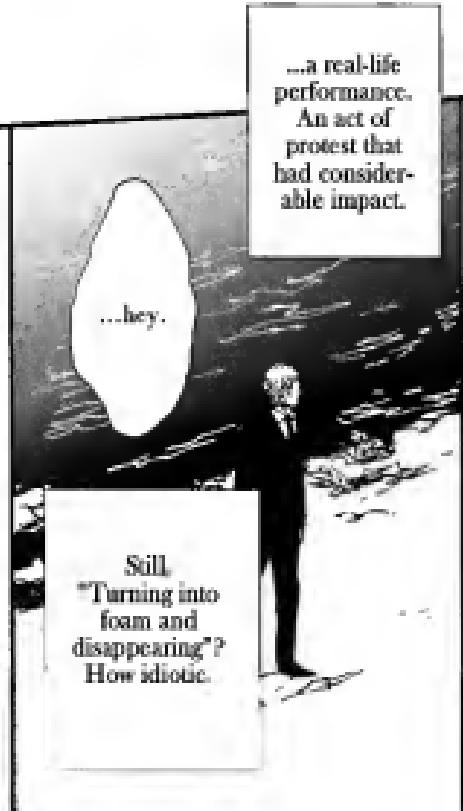
There's
something
I want to
show you.

This is a
trap.









Reveal your
true form.

Hey...
where
are
you?

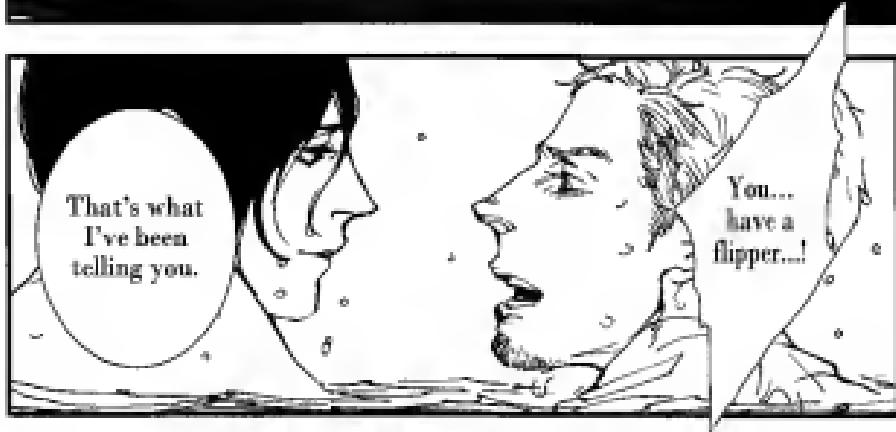
This isn't
how "The
Little Mer-
maid" ends!

COUGH

The
prince
realizes
she's
his true
love...

With the
mermaid...

And...
together...



His care and feeding are simple: give him raw fish to eat and seawater to drink.

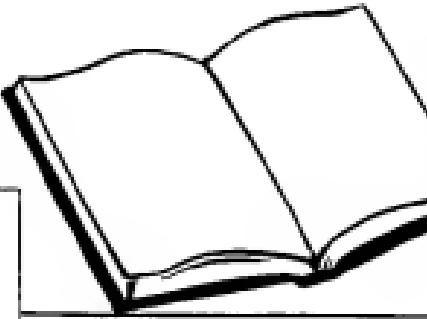
I'm living with a merman.

There's only one thing that bothers me about him...

His intelligence is high, and he's a gentle and compassionate creature.

He doesn't fit in the bathtub.





In a certain place, there was a novelist who decided never to show himself in public.



Every book he published was a best seller.



In order to get him to write a book, his powerful editor had to visit him at his home.



He羞med the door in his face, because he couldn't bear to look him in the eye.



Before he knew it no one came to visit his estate deep in the woods.

I can't go home until I get the manuscript, but the prospects are incredibly dark...

Even if I tell Sensei I'm a fan...

Knock Knock

His name is Belmont, and he's a half-baked new editor.

I have an appointment. I'm with Etoile Publishing...

click click click

Excuse me, please...

Is any-one...

At home?

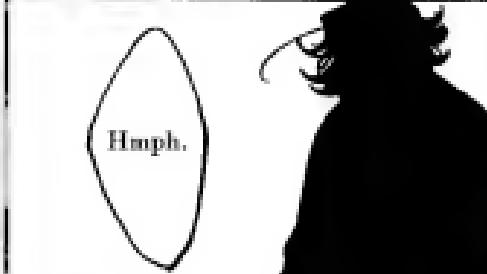
Excuse me!



Eek!



Oh, er,
pleased to
meet you.
I'm Belmont
of Étoile
Publishing.



Humph.



I'm here to
receive your
new man-
uscript...



Er...
perhaps if
there was
something
I could assist
you with...

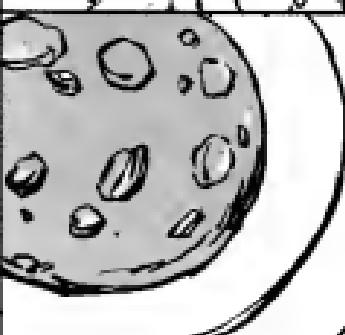
There
isn't.

Let's get
down to it!

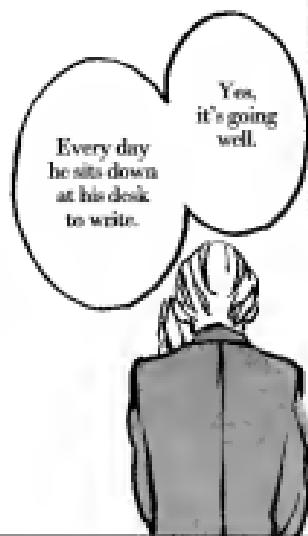
There's
no way
he'd refuse
to eat it...

Should I
make dinner
for him or
something...?

Chop
Chop
Chop







When I encountered his works at age 15, it was like being struck by lightning.



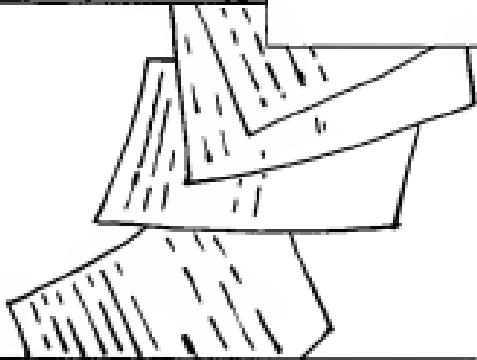
From morning to night, I'd hole up in my father's library.

I was an aspiring novelist. I've been a bookworm since I was little.



"These are the stories I've been seeking."

As an aspiring novelist, I would do anything to get a publishing job, if only I could work with him.



That's what I said...



I really like this one. How many times have I read it?



What's this one? It doesn't have a cover...

This really takes me back.

Every one of Sensei's works since his debut.

How could I not have known about this work of Sensei's?

When did it come out...?

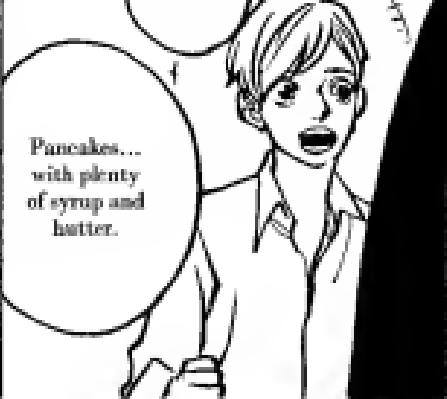
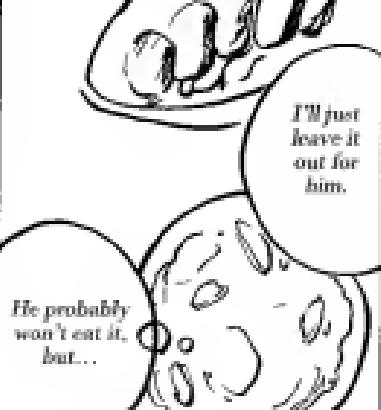
Don't touch it without asking.

Oh!

Oh?

What, it's another author? But this style is...











!?



Hey!

Wait,
what are
you--?





I didn't
make a
back-up.

This was the
only copy.

Watch
out!

Son
of a
bitch!

You

Your work
is important,
but you are
even more
important.

Hehheh.
I'm glad
you're safe,
Sensei.

You fool!
Why?!



But you
didn't finish
your book.

So the pancakes
will have to
be postponed.

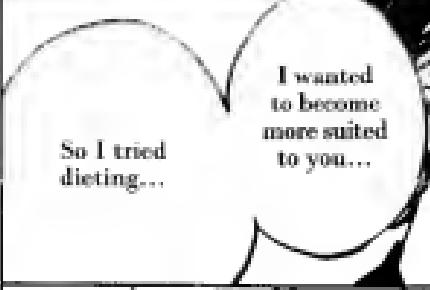




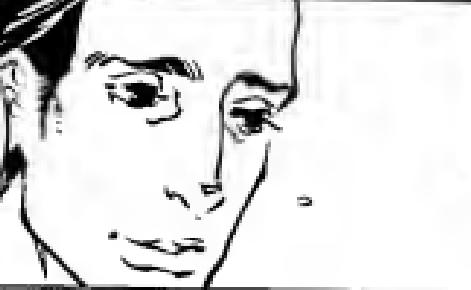
Er... who
are you, sir...?



!?



So I tried
dieting...



I wanted
to become
more suited
to you...



Eat it all up!
Please go
back to how
you were!



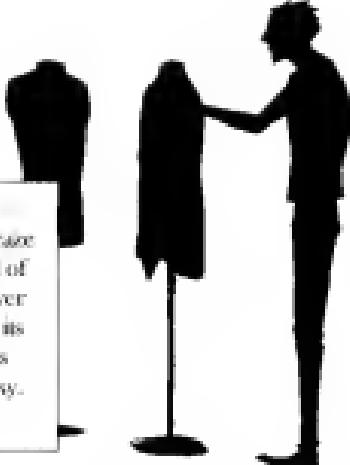
That
is so not
cute!

The bamboo princess

Kaguya-Hime

おとぎの
うさぎ

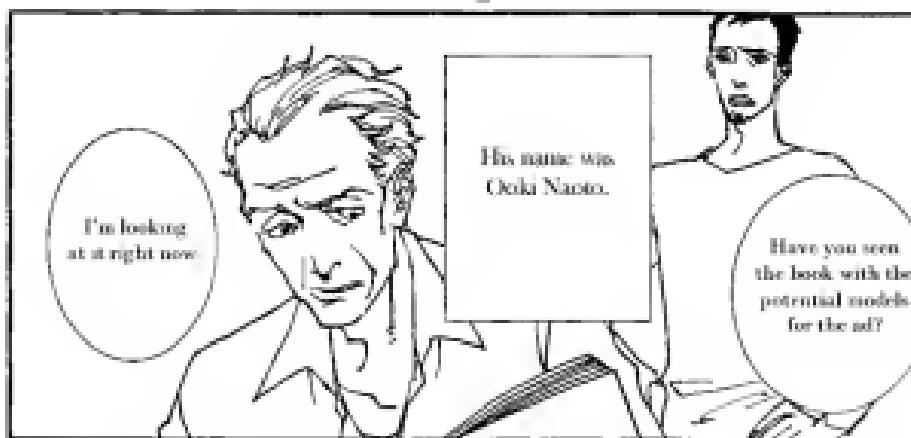


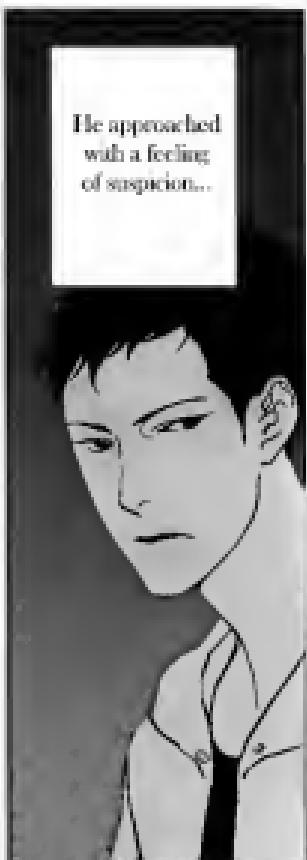
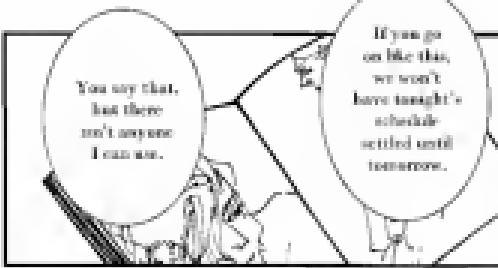


There was a craze for this brand of clothing all over the world, so its designer was extremely busy.



In a certain place, there was once a popular brand named "Okura."





And saw a tall
and beautiful
young man.

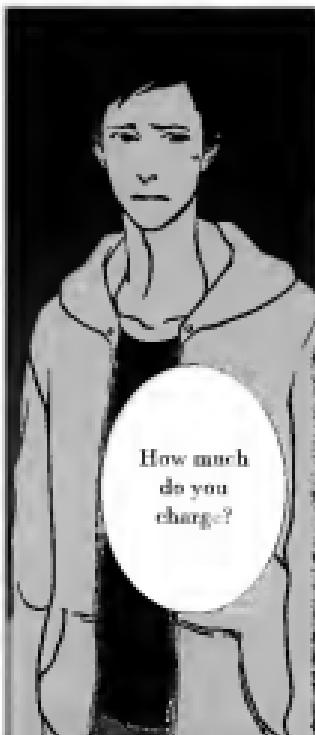
Looking at
the moon

What are
you doing
out at this
hour?

I'll be setting
soon, so you
should watch.

I've never
spent that
much time
looking at
the moon.

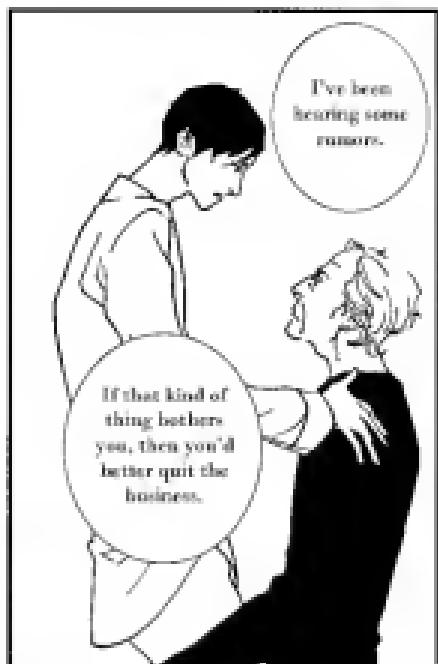
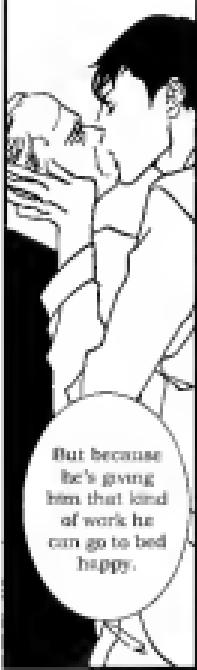
Did you
know that
the moon
gets red when
it sets, too?

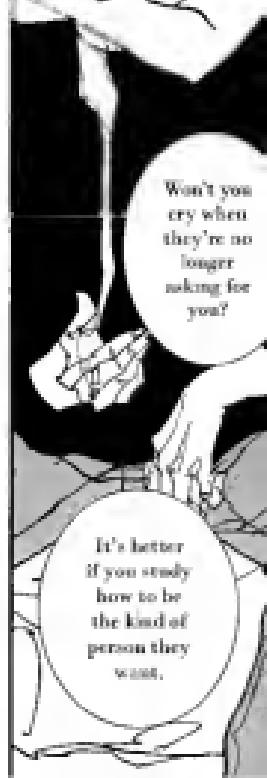
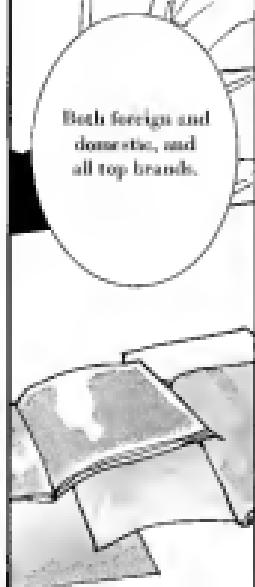




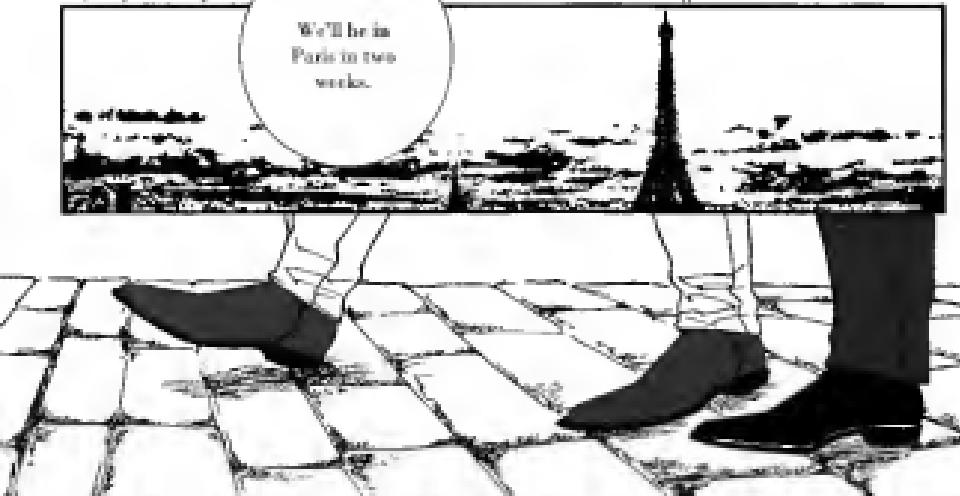
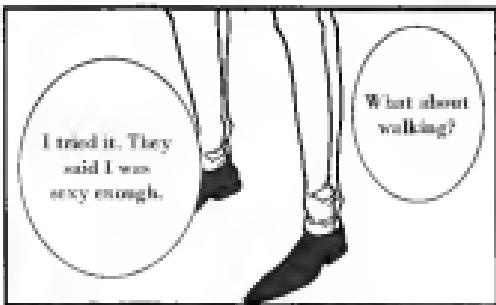
Kagayama
Teruya...

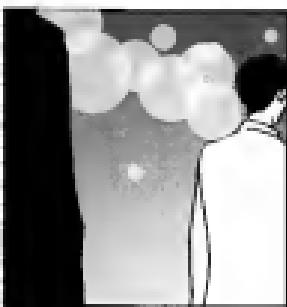


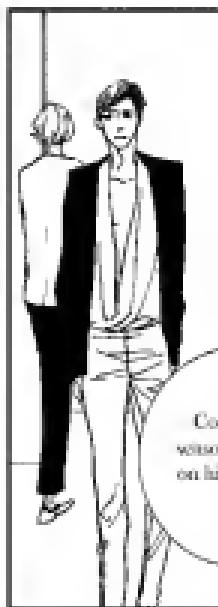


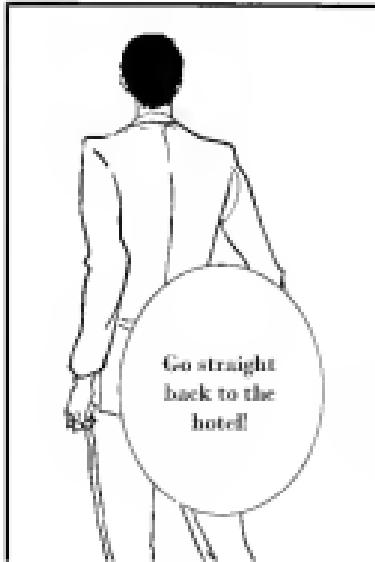
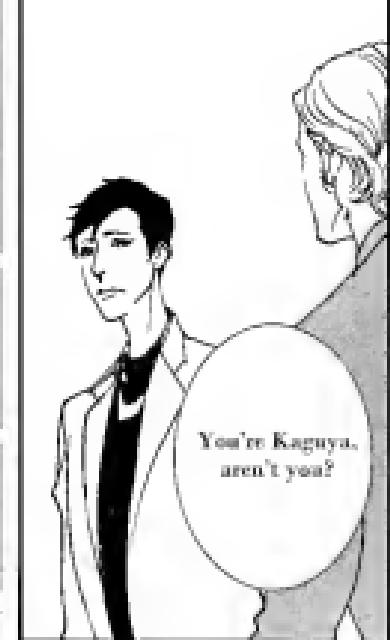




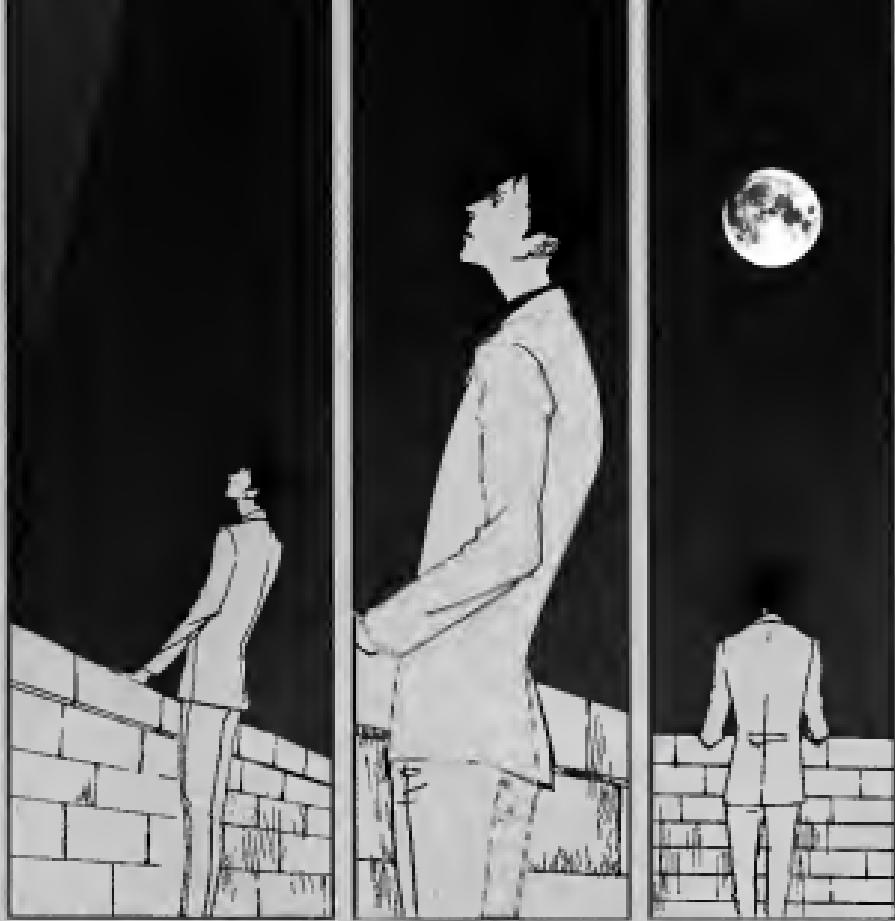
















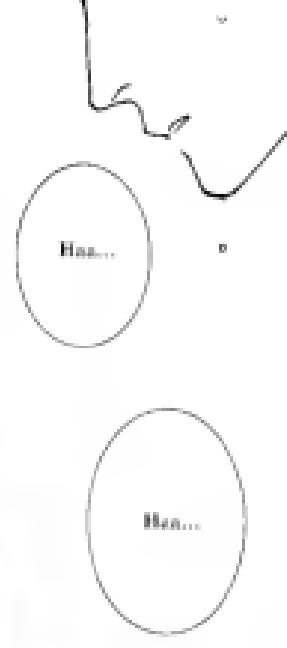
The moon?



No...

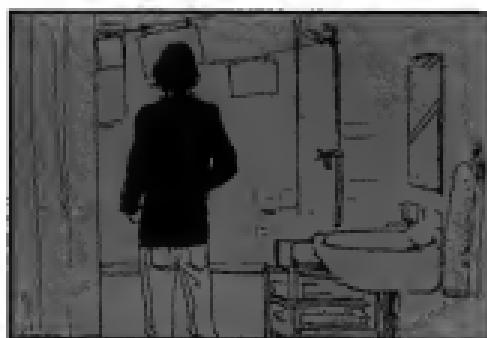
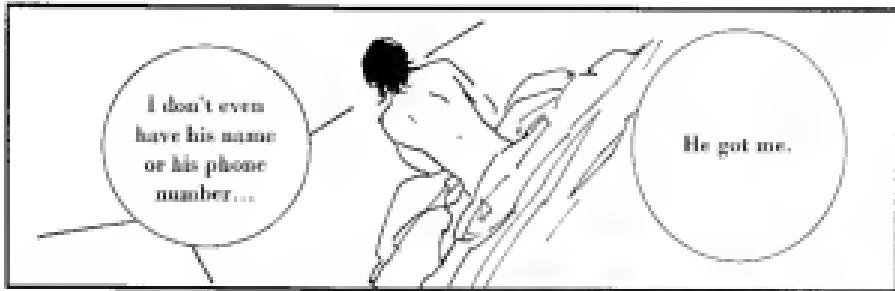
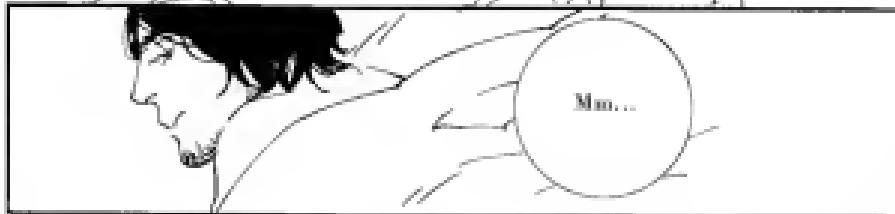


I meant you.





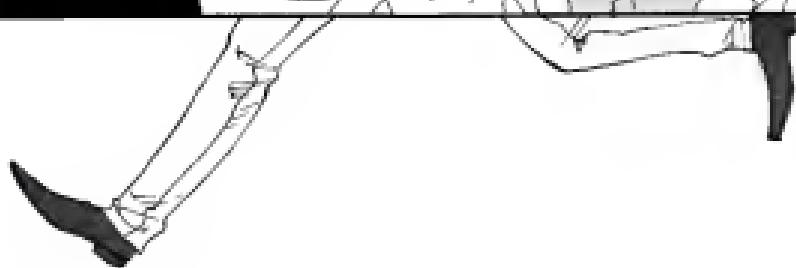


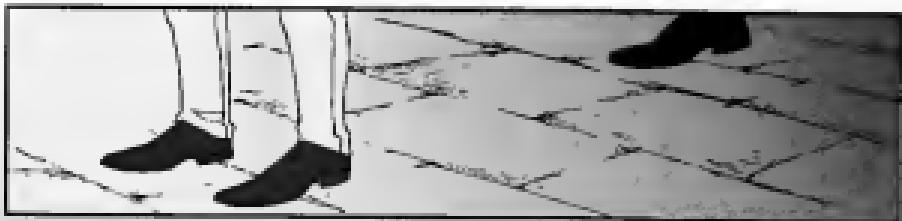




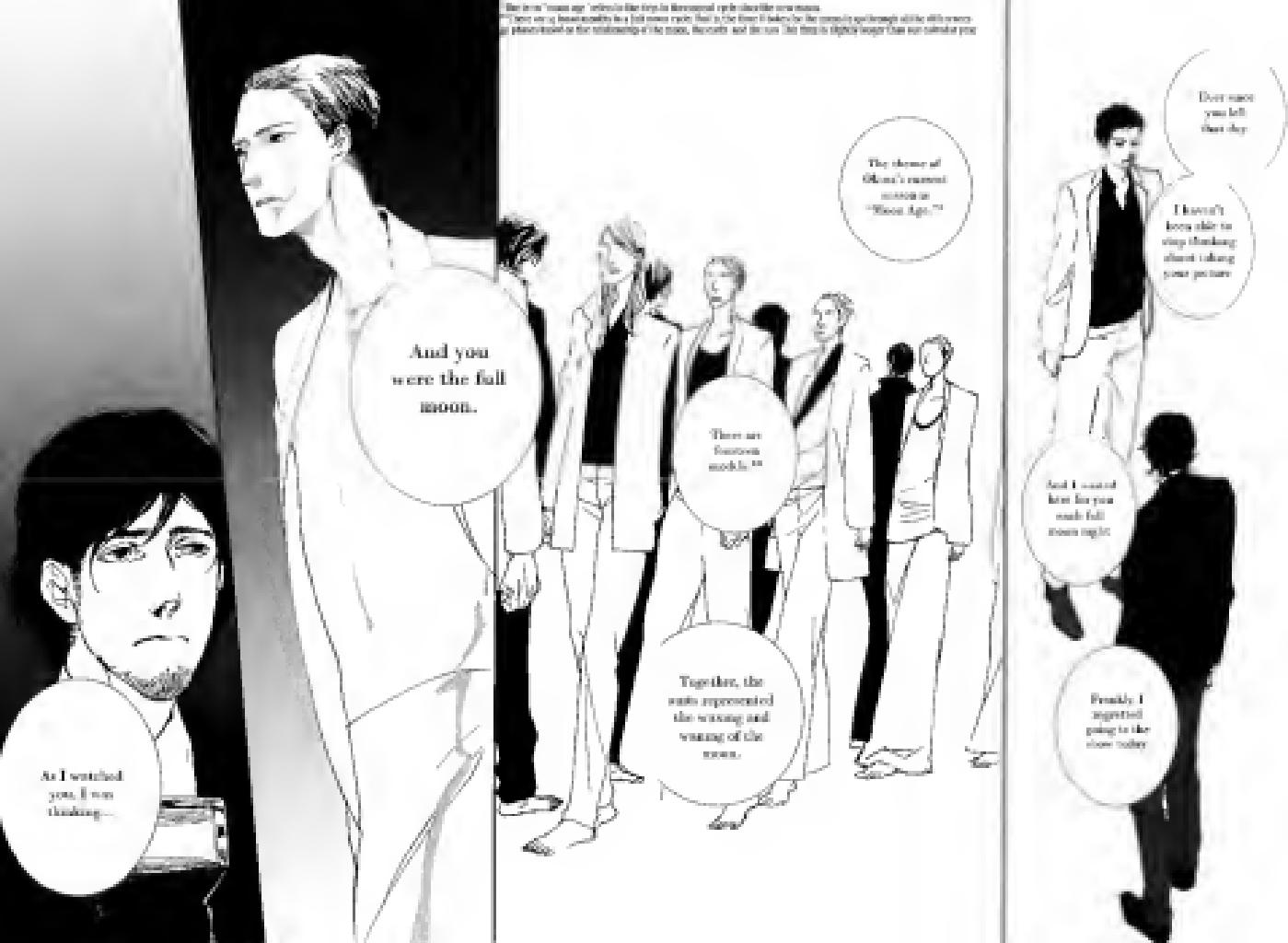














That the moon
was far beyond
my reach, even
if I had fallen
in love with it.















If I don't kill her,

That woman

Will steal my heart away.

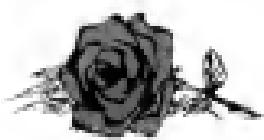


That woman's
name

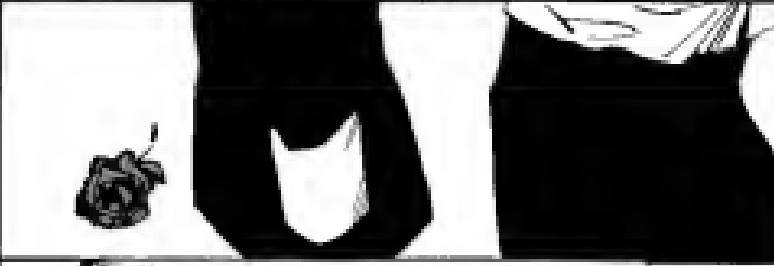
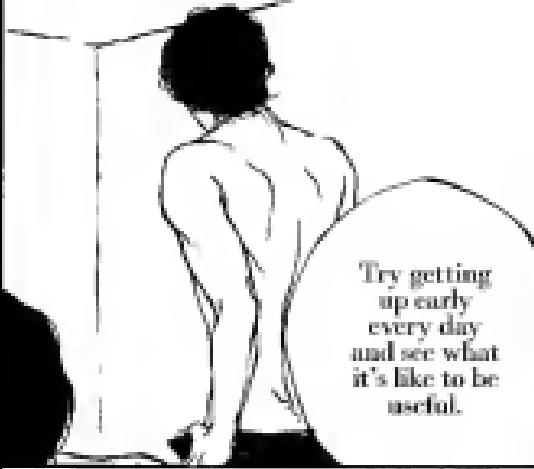
Is Carmen.

Carmen

カルメン









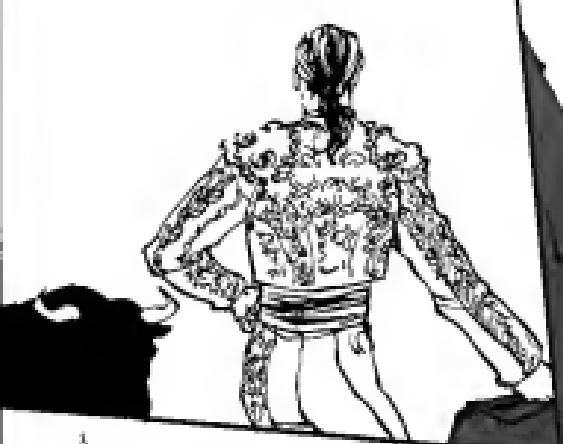
Whose
bull will
it be
today?

She's a du-
chess.

Lucas*.

Do you love
me?

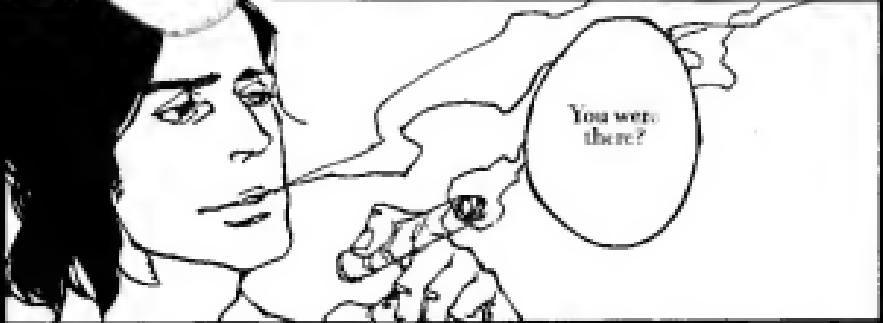
Don't
answer
that.



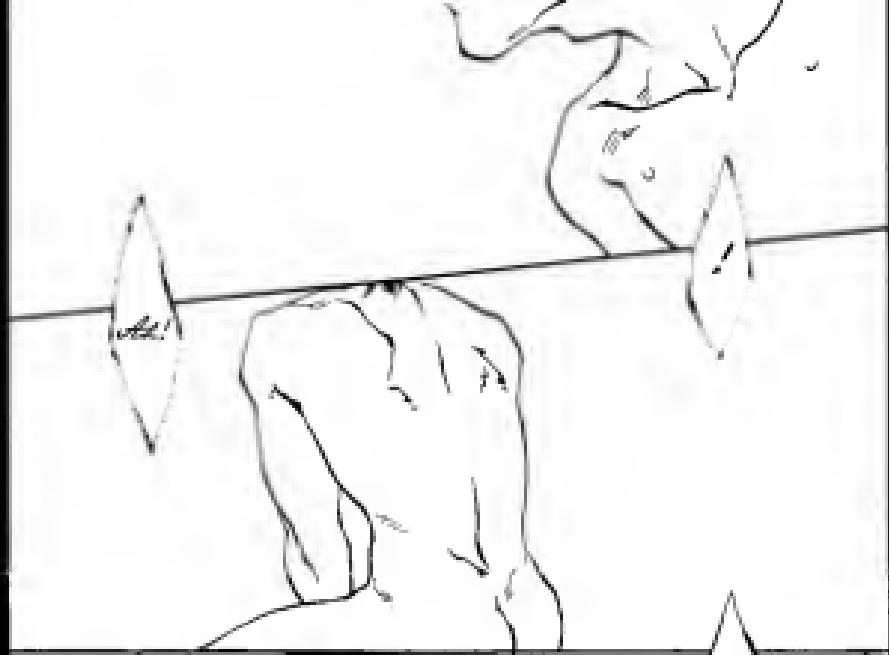














...Very well.



But what about you?



What am I to you?



That
woman...

Carmen...

I see two
corpses
behind you.

Two
young
people...

One of them is Carmen.
...Who is the other one?

Aah!

Aah!

Hah!



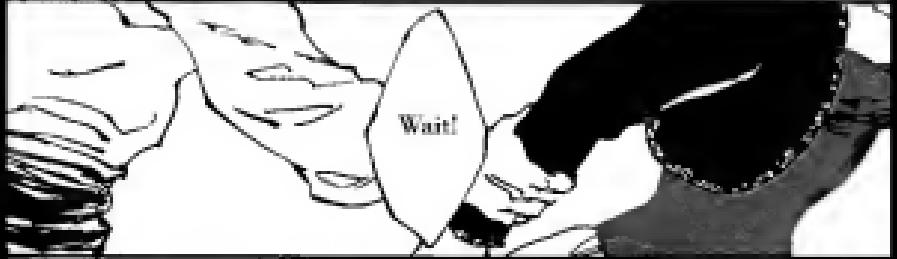
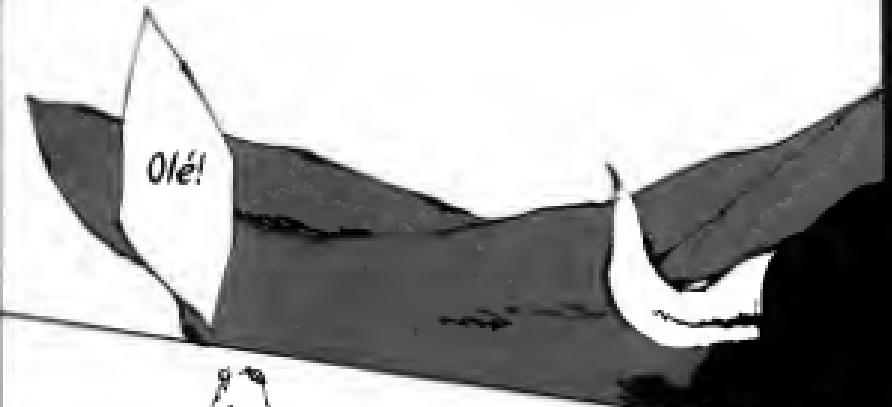


There's the
hugle. If I
don't hurry,
it will be
over.

And aren't
you a strange
one? Didn't
you see him
dedicate the
bull to you?

Calling me
out in a place
like this?

What the
hell do
you want?





Ha!

What did
you hope to
accomplish?

Sorry, but I'll
do what I like
with whoever I
like.

Ah...

Beautiful Carmen...



I must kill you.





You want to
know why I killed
Carmen?



Haa.

Haa.

I wanted to
be the only
one loved by
Lucas.

But that hope
is all in ruins
now.

Because while I
was stabbing
Carmen, the bull
he had dedicated
to me gored him
to death.



It gets very quiet
here when night
comes...



And I can savor
my memories of
Lucas.



Of his voice,
his heat, his
breath, the
sweat of his
palms...



The only
thoughts that
come to my mind
are of that
woman.



But after
a while...

Her manner,
her voice, her
lips.

Her gaze and
her long, black
hair.

The smooth
skin of her
full breasts.

...No, not with
love or
anything of
that sort.



I envied her...

All the things she
had that I didn't.



Perhaps I wanted to
become her.



That woman who
was called
Carmen.

Fox

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Triangle Note

In the opera, the matador's name is Escamillo. The name Lucas comes from the novella, Carmen, by 19th century writer Prosper Mérimée, that the opera is based on. In the novella, Lucas is a picador, the bullfighter on horseback who stabs the bull's neck with a lance. Bacamillo in the opera (and Lucas in this manga) is a matador, the torero who uses the cape to provoke the bull and who kills him with a sword (or attempts to). The matador is considered the "star" of the torero firmamento. The third type of torero is the banderillero, who places decorated sticks into the bull's shoulders.



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